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SUBJECT:PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO CONGRATULATIONS OF SOKA
GAKKAI PRESIDENT

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO CONGRATULATORY
COMMERCIAL CABLE RECEIVED FROM DAISAKU IKEDA, PRESIDENT OF
SOKA GAKKAI. DEPT. REQUESTS EMBASSY CONVEY THIS MESSAGE.
QUOTE: DEAR MR IKEDA: I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR KIND
EXPRESSION OF BEST WISHES ON MY INAUGURATION AS PRESIDENT.
DURING MY ADMINISTRATION, THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE
TO STRENGTHEN ITS COMMITMENT TO WORLD PEACE AND INTER-
NATIONAL COOPERATION. I WANT TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF
FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY AND OURS.
SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END QUOTE

2. (FYI) FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MR. IKEDA'S CONGRATULATORY
TELEGRAM, WHICH IS SIMILAR TO HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO
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SECRETARY VANCE: BEGIN QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON THE
AUSPICIOUS OCCASION OF YOUR INAUGURATION AS THE 39TH
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA I TAKE GREAT
PLEASURE IN EXPRESSING MY MOST HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS AND
WARMEST GREETINGS TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AS WELL AS TO THE
GREAT AMERICAN PEOPLE STOP THROUGHOUT THAT INTENSELY-FOUGHT
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WE, THE JAPANESE PEOPLE, TRULY

WITNESSED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE EXHIBIT FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY
IN ACTION, THE NOBLE TRADITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CARRIED ON
EVER SINCE THE FOUNDING DAYS OF YOUR GREAT COUNTRY, AND
RENEWED OUR RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR NATION STOP
MOREOVER WE HOLD IN HIGH ESTEEM THE UNDAUNTED SPIRIT OF THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO HAVE OVERCOME NUMEROUS TRIALS AND HARD-
SHIPS IN RECENT YEARS, AND THUS BRILLIANTLY HAVE HELD UP
THE TORCH OF HOPE AND INSPIRATION FOR ALL FREEDOM-LOVING
PEOPLES OF THE WORLD STOP WE BELIEVE WE ARE NOT THE ONLY
ONES WHO HAVE BEEN DEEPLY TOUCHED BY YOUR INAUGURAL SLOGAN
..NEW SPIRIT, NEW PROMISE AND NEW AMERICA.. AS WE BELIEVE
IT INDEED REFLECTS YOUR DETERMINED WILL TO RESOLUTELY
CHALLENGE THE DIFFICULT PROBLEMS FACED BY THE UNITED STATES
AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS WELL, AND ADVANCE TO-
WARD THE CREATION OF A NEW ERA STOP ON BEHALF OF THE 10-
MILLION MEMBERS OF SOKA GAKKAI OF JAPAN WHICH IS ADVANCING
A PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT AIMED AT PROMOTING DIGNITY OF HUMAN
LIFE, FREEDOM OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT, HUMAN CULTURE AND ETERNA
PEACE FOR OUR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS BASED ON THE 3,000-YEAR-
OLD BUDDHIST PHILOSOPHY.

I WISH TO EXPRESS MY DEEP CONVICTION THAT THE NEW
ADMINISTRATION UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP WILL MAKE SIGNIFICANT
CONTRIBUTIONS BENEFITTING NOT ONLY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE BUT
ALSO ALL MANKIND WHO ASPIRE AFTER PEACE, HAPPINESS AND
PROSPERITY FOREVER STOP. I SINCERELY PRAY FOR YOUR GOOD
HEALTH AND GOOD WORK AND FOR THE PROSPERITY OF THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE. WITH ALL GOOD WISHES AND KINDEST REGARDS. VERY
SINCERELY YOURS, DAISAKU IKEDA, PRESIDENT SOKA GAKKAI OF
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JAPAN. END QUOTE.

3. THE WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE THIS EX-
CHANGE OF MESSAGES, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF THE RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO.
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